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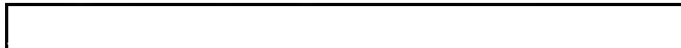
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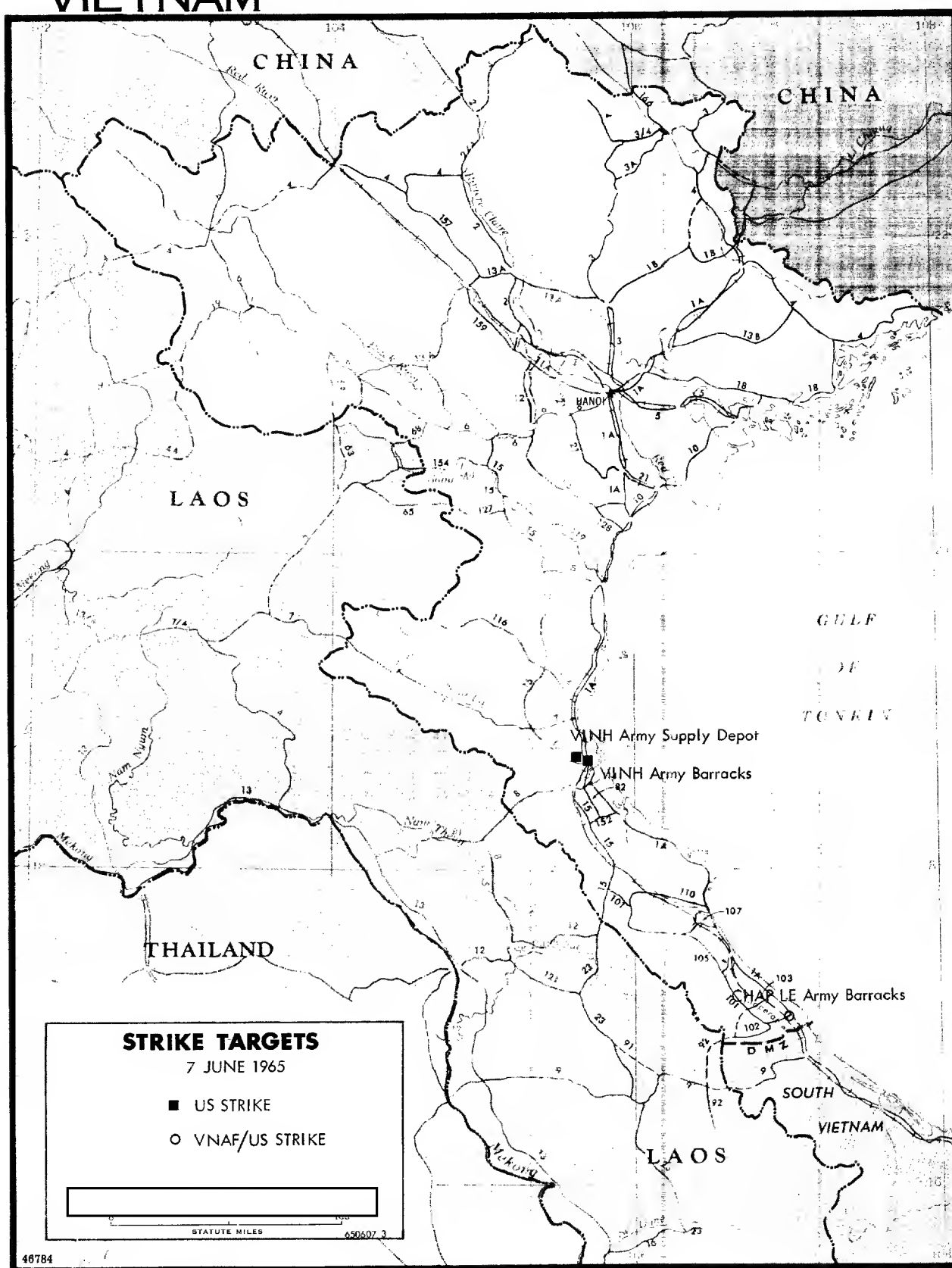
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*Vietnam: (Information as of 4:30 AM EDT)

Air Strikes in North Vietnam: US Navy aircraft struck the Vinh army barracks on 7 June, inflicting an estimated 30 percent damage to the target area. A supply depot in the Vinh area was hit by US Air Force aircraft with 80 percent destruction reported in one area and 95 percent in another. The Chap Le army barracks was struck by VNAF aircraft with USAF support.

Several day and night armed reconnaissance missions were flown along roads, rail lines and rivers south of the 20th parallel. A variety of targets--including trucks, ferries, barges, secondary bridges, boxcars, automatic weapons positions, a truck park, warehouses, a POL site and POL railcars--were either destroyed or damaged.

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[redacted] fairly heavy traffic on the main rail line leading from Communist China to North Vietnam.

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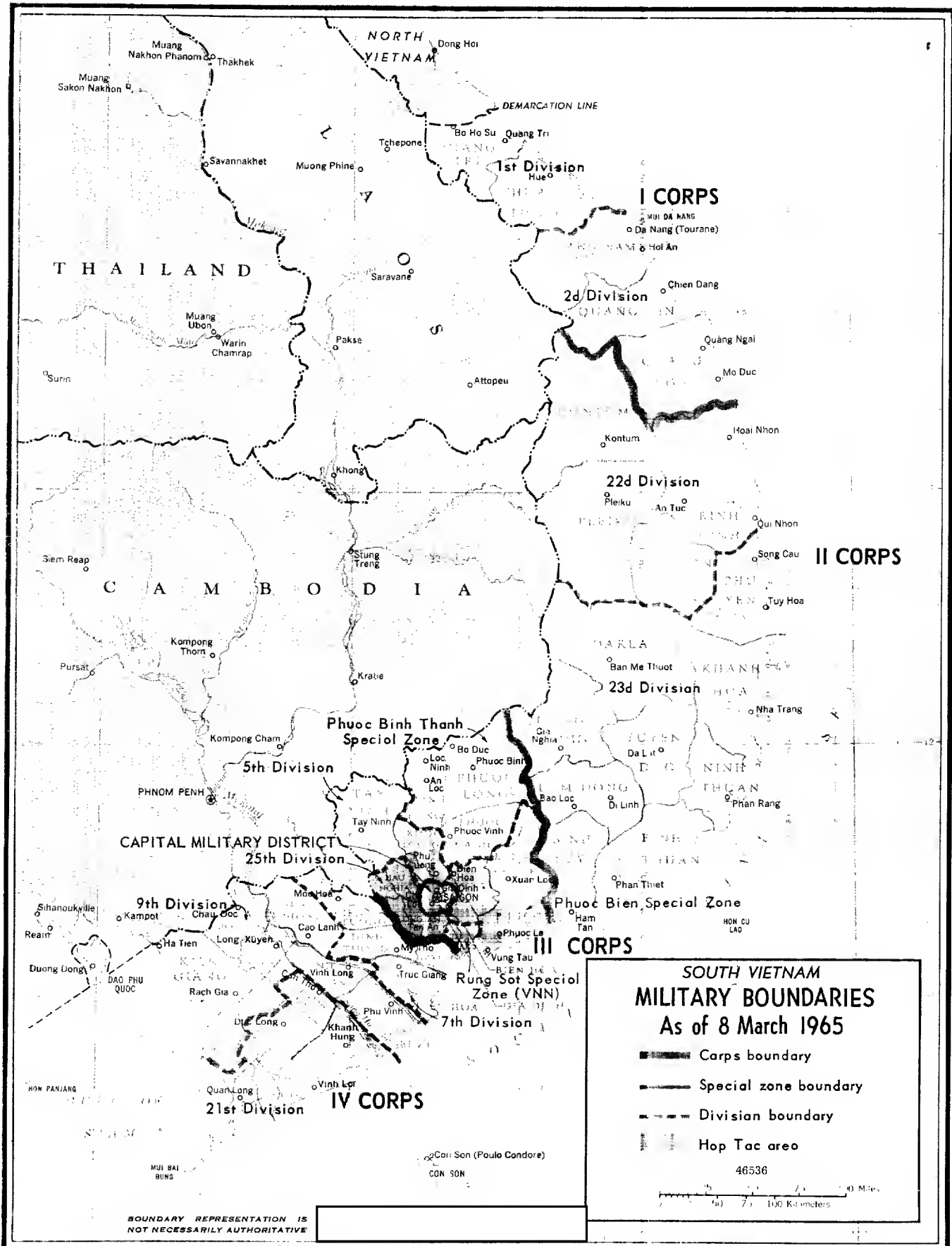
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[redacted] Communist Political Developments: The North Vietnamese Foreign Minister, Nguyen Duy Trinh, [redacted]

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[redacted] indicated that the DRV is uninterested in negotiations with the US at present. He restated the standard DRV line toward negotiations.]

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[Trinh called the US offer of unconditional discussions "deceitful" and said that Pham Van Dong's four point proposal for a peaceful settlement still represented the official DRV position.

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The Military Situation in South Vietnam: No significant Viet Cong actions have been noted during the past 48 hours, although the guerrillas are maintaining a high degree of small-scale harassment and sabotage throughout South Vietnam. A Chinese Communist manufactured 75-mm. recoilless rifle was captured from the Viet Cong east of Hue, but reports of the discovery of a large weapons cache have not been confirmed by US officials in South Vietnam.

The Communist clandestine Liberation Radio has appealed to "our armed forces and people to seize this favorable opportunity to strive to kill more enemy troops, attack the enemy more often, and maintain pressure on him." The broadcast warned, however, against overconfidence after victories and against underestimating the enemy. It stressed that along with military activities by various "concentrated units," guerrilla activity must be expanded to consolidate political control of rural areas and overthrow the "puppet administration."

Political Developments in South Vietnam: No change in the status of the cabinet occurred yesterday. The Catholics maintained pressure on the government by sending another delegation to Chief of State Suu to demand Premier Quat's resignation. While the Catholic campaign continues restrained, speakers at an anti-government rally in Saigon Sunday evening reportedly called for recruits for a Catholic "security force." This is the first open suggestion that--as Buddhist circles recently charged--they may be trying to create a paramilitary following.

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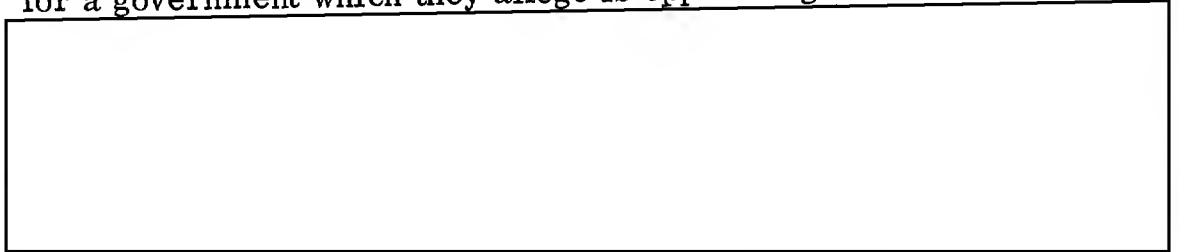
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Early on 7 June a shooting incident occurred in the vicinity of a military barracks in Saigon when US guards fired on four Vietnamese youths, three of them Catholics, who had ignored an order to halt. One youth was killed and another seriously wounded. The incident may add to current political tension by arousing the sensitivities of the Vietnamese, particularly the Catholics who have begun to complain of US support for a government which they allege is oppressing them.

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*Argentina: US Consul Temple Wanamaker was seriously wounded by a burst of machine-gun fire yesterday afternoon in Cordoba--about 500 miles northwest of Buenos Aires.

There is as yet no indication who the attackers were or why Wanamaker was the target.

This is the second attack, however, on Wanamaker within the past 30 days. On 12 May his car was damaged by an incendiary bomb in an action attributed to the Argentine Communist Party (PCA)

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[There have been other recent reports that terrorist activities were planned by various extremist groups in the event Argentine troops were sent to the Dominican Republic and consequent attacks on US personnel and property were threatened by the Peronist Revolutionary Movement (MRP) and the ultra-nationalist National Restoration Guard (GRN). Between 24 May and 2 June bombs were reportedly exploded at seven US-connected companies]

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Chile: [A Chilean official has indicated that Chile's recent sale of 6,000 metric tons of copper to Communist China is regarded as introduction of a major export into a market with "fantastic" potential. In response to a US Embassy officer's comments, he warned against trying to use foreign assets control regulations to bar such sales; saying that Chile would obviously not let a US regulation prevent sales considered in Chile's national interest. In the opinion of the official, some leaders of the governing Christian Democratic Party would welcome closer ties with the Chinese as showing increasing economic independence of the US.]

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Brazil: [The government is taking steps to prevent some of its opponents, including supporters of ex-president Goulart, from running in the gubernatorial elections scheduled for October in 11 of Brazil's 22 states. To accomplish this it will seek early legislation under a recent constitutional amendment governing eligibility of candidates. The new laws will tend to eliminate potential candidates who would be most inclined to make campaign issues of the growing public dissatisfaction with the regime's economic policies which are blamed for Brazil's current recession and persistent inflation.]

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